

AUSTRIANS WIN
TWO POSITIONS
IN MONTENEGRO

Have Captured Important Points Near Cattaro Cetinje, According to Admissions Made by Montenegrin Authorities Given Out in Paris

WARSHIPS ASSISTED
IN THEIR DEFEAT

King Nicholas of Montenegro Has Put Up Desperate Resistance, but His Army Is Being Slowly Forced Back by Teutonic Invaders

The Austrians are succeeding in making important inroads upon Montenegrin territory despite the desperate resistance by the forces of King Nicholas, according to Montenegrin admissions given out in Paris.

On the western frontier of Montenegro Austrian forces are finally winning successes against the defenders of Mont Lovcen, an important height near Cattaro Cetinje. The government concedes the occupation of two positions by Teutonic forces in this sector. Fire from warships in the bay of Cattaro, which the Austrians have been using as a base for raids, assisted in pushing the Montenegrins back.

The French official report of this afternoon states that the German offensive undertaken Sunday in Champagne by at least three German divisions was a complete failure, the Germans being driven out of all the positions which they had seized, with the exception of a small rectangle to the west of Maisons de Champagne.

According to the statements made in government circles in London the latest official advice says the British forces in Mesopotamia under General Aylmer, proceeding up the river Tigris to the relief of Kut-el-Amara, are still halted to Sheikh Said, 20 miles away. The halt is said to be due to the weather conditions and the necessity of removing the wounded.

MONTENEGRO MAY
HAVE SERBIA'S FATE

Admission Is Made by Montenegrin Consulate at Paris That Two Towns Have Been Evacuated to Austrians.

Paris, Jan. 11.—Austrian advances on all fronts and the evacuation by the Montenegrins of the towns of Berane and Kouk Rhatz were officially admitted in a statement last night by the Montenegrin consulate.

GERMAN WARSHIP'S
LIFEBELTS FOUND

One Report Has It that They Belong to the Cruiser Bremen, Which Was Reported Last Month to Have Been Sunk by a Submarine.

Berlin, via wireless, Jan. 11.—A Copenhagen newspaper states that life-saving belts from a German warship have been found on the Swedish coast, says the Overseas agency. It is stated authoritatively that these must be from the German cruiser Bremen, the announcement of the sinking of which by a submarine was made last month. An accident to any other ship of the German navy is out of the question, the agency states.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE
SANK PORTO SAID

It Is Said That the Steamer Tried to Ram the Submarine and Was Promptly Attacked.

Berlin, via wireless, Jan. 11.—A statement to-day by the Overseas news agency establishes the fact that it was an Austrian submarine which sank the Italian liner Porto Said in the Mediterranean last month, causing the death of six passengers and one of the crew. It is asserted that the steamer attempted to ram the submarine.

WOMAN MURDERED.

Her Husband Arrested at Greenfield, Mass., Last Night.

Greenboro, Mass., Jan. 11.—Mrs. Arthur L. Wells was shot and killed last night in the boarding house which she conducted, and the police later arrested her husband on a charge of murder as he stood by his wife's death bed. The couple had been separated and the police believe the husband was jealous. Mrs. Wells was 31 years old.

AMERICAN CONSUL
AT STUTTGART
INVESTIGATED

Edward Higgins Said to Have Uttered Un-neutral and Anti-German Declarations—State Department Orders an Investigation.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Ambassador Gerard at Berlin has been authorized by Secretary of State Lansing to investigate unofficial charges against Consul Higgins at Stuttgart. No official charge or complaint has been made against him.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 11.—A Wolff bureau dispatch from Stuttgart announces that an official investigation has been begun of the case of Edward Higgins, American consul at Stuttgart. Higgins is accused by the New York Staats-Zeitung of un-neutral and anti-German declarations.

TO WIPE OUT GERMAN TRADE.

Is Policy Presented by Englishman to House of Commons.

London, Jan. 11.—Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, won tremendous applause from the House of Commons yesterday by a speech in which he declared that the entente allies must take steps to see that Germany is unable to carry on a trade war against them after peace is signed. "There are signs," he said, "that at last Germany is beginning to feel the economic pressure of our blockade. Her food supplies are becoming depleted, while ours are increasing. Although our exports have fallen and our imports risen, there is no doubt that the economic strength of Great Britain is so well founded that we can stand the strain far better than the central powers."

"Broad riots in Berlin and in nearly every other German city do not occur without good reasons. We have deprived the enemy of many necessities of life and possibly some of the necessities of war. Her stocks of raw materials are giving out. Economic pressure, possibly better than any other means, will ultimately persuade Germany of the fruitfulness of continuing the struggle."

"We can stand the strain longer than Germany," continued Mr. Runciman, "and if we husband our resources the disaster that will fall upon her will be almost irreparable. We must make it clear, however, that when peace comes we will not permit the outbreak of the economic war, which Germany would wage against ourselves and our allies."

Discussing the suggestion of free trade within the British empire, Mr. Runciman remarked that the dominions of Great Britain were not likely to alter their methods or their attitude toward the mother country. The colonies were determined to raise the revenue and to foster their industries in their own way and he was afraid the idea of free trade within the empire must be dismissed. "I feel the same way of the proposed Zollverein to include all the allies, but if such an arrangement proves essential to end the war successfully we shall have it, for there is no arrangement that the allies are not prepared to make to that end."

DISAGREE IN DETAILS.

But Germany and United States Likely to Agree Fully by Next Monday.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Difficulty in agreeing on details is holding up a final settlement of the Lusitania controversy. Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, and Secretary Lansing had another conference yesterday and it was said later that no final agreement had been reached although the outlook was encouraging.

While the United States and Germany virtually have agreed upon the essential principles involved in this case, it was learned that until a method of expressing these principles satisfactory to both sides is found, announcement of a settlement will be withheld. Count Von Bernstorff was informed in effect by Secretary Lansing during yesterday's conference that the wording of the tentative proposal submitted last week by Germany and since considered by President Wilson was inadequate in certain respects.

A feeling of optimism regarding the ultimate outcome of the negotiations apparently prevails both in official and Teutonic diplomatic circles. It is freely predicted that a settlement acceptable to both governments should be reached by next Monday unless unforeseen events intervene.

By Monday Count Von Bernstorff should receive a reply to a dispatch prepared last night for the Berlin foreign office. This is believed to contain the results of his latest efforts and suggestions regarding certain details of the settlement to be embodied in the final settlement.

These suggestions, it was authoritatively stated, had to do solely with questions involved in the subject of reprisals and the British blockade of Germany which the United States and Germany both declare to be illegal.

Consideration of public opinion in the United States and in Germany is understood to be playing an important part in hastening a settlement. The United States is an act of reprisal and while deploring deeply the fact that Americans lost their lives in the commission of this act at the same time considers that public opinion in Germany would adversely criticize any action which would admit the illegality of torpedoing the vessel under the circumstances. Germany also is said to admit the right of neutrals to protection and safety. In a word the Berlin government is understood to insist upon a form of settlement which denies that it was illegal to sink the Lusitania, but admits it was wrong for that act to cost the lives of Americans.

CALLED INTO COURT.

Menace Publishing Co. and Several of Its Officials.

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 11.—The Menace Publishing company of Aurora and several of its officers were called in federal court to-day for trial on charges of misusing the mails.

THREATENED
LINER IN PORT

The French Vessel LaFayette Arrived at New York To-day

PASSENGERS HAD
RECEIVED WARNING

They Reported That Neither Submarine Nor Mine Was Sighted

New York, Jan. 11.—The French liner LaFayette, which was threatened with destruction in anonymous messages sent to Henry Clew, junior, and others who had booked passage on her, arrived here to-day and reported that neither a submarine nor a mine was sighted during the voyage.

While Mr. Clew, who was accompanied by his wife, and the other passengers were not willing to discuss in detail the warning messages, it was learned that notes were sent to the pier at Bordeaux and that the most of them, it was said, read simply that there was danger in sailing.

SHOT MAN WHO JILTED HER.

Lillian Pfeiffer Then Killed Herself at Joliet, Ill.

Joliet, Ill., Jan. 11.—John Robert, head of the Robert Welding works here, was shot yesterday at his office by Lillian Pfeiffer, a waitress, who then shot herself through the head and died soon afterward.

The young woman claimed that she had been wronged by Robert and that he had paid her off. A note pinned to her clothing read, "The wages of sin is death," and gave her father's name as William Ogden of Richmond, Va.

Physicians who attended Robert told him that his recovery was doubtful. At the hospital he is said to have declared that his real name was John Ulrich and that seven years ago he deserted his wife and four children in West Philadelphia. He is also said to have told that Lillian Pfeiffer, who lived with him as Mrs. Robert, had deserted her husband, John Pfeiffer, in West Philadelphia, for him.

A woman who is said to have caused the separation of Robert and Lillian Pfeiffer is reported to be a chorus girl who has appeared in the local theatres. Wrote Sister of Impending Crime. Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Mrs. Lillian Pfeiffer, who yesterday shot John R. Robert in Joliet, Ill., and then committed suicide, was a sister of Mrs. Bertha Shellenberger of this city. Mrs. Shellenberger said she received a letter from Mrs. Pfeiffer yesterday, telling her that she was going to kill Robert and herself. The woman also sent her jewelry to her sister here.

The suicide was the wife of John Pfeiffer. Mrs. Shellenberger went to detective headquarters and told of two letters she had received from her sister. One came Saturday and with it was some jewelry and a boy's watch and chain intended for Mrs. Shellenberger's son. In one of the letters, Mrs. Pfeiffer threatened to kill Robert, another woman in the case, and herself. In the letter, she said Robert had lost his love for her and even struck her.

Mrs. Shellenberger, thinking that the Chicago police had jurisdiction in Joliet, communicated with them and then went to the local detective bureau. The Philadelphia police at once got into communication with Joliet, but were too late.

REPUBLICANS ELIMINATED.

From Consideration in Appointment to Supreme Court.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—President Wilson and Attorney General Gregory last night conferred regarding candidates for the vacancy of the United States supreme court caused by the death of Justice Lamar. The attorney general said later that no decision was reached.

A Democrat is almost certain to be selected. Officials said that enough Democrats of supreme court timber had been suggested virtually to eliminate the possibility of a Republican being appointed.

Former President Taft has been suggested in messages received at the White House from many parts of the country, but it is understood there is no prospect of his being chosen.

Attorney General Gregory and John W. Davis, solicitor general, who have been mentioned, are not being considered because if appointed they would not be eligible to participate in the consideration of several important cases now pending for the reason that they took part in preparation of the government's argument.

THREE EXPLOSIONS IN ONE DAY.

DuPont Powder Co. Meets with Severe Losses on Mill Property.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 11.—Following the explosion at the DuPont powder plant, Carneys Point, N. J., early yesterday, in which three workmen were killed, two mills blew up at the upper Hager yard near here yesterday afternoon. In one of the latter accidents one workman was slightly burned. The three explosions within one day have had the effect of making the secret service and police departments of the DuPont Powder company unusually active in looking for possible causes indicating "outside influence."

The disaster at Carneys Point was due to an explosion of smokeless powder, while at the upper Hager yard it was black powder that went off.

\$50,000 AT ONCE,
\$250,000 LATER.
FOR NORWICH

University at Northfield Gets Splendid Legacy from Gen. Grenville M. Dodge, a Distinguished Alumnus, Who Died Recently.

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Jan. 11.—Norwich university in Northfield, Vt., where the late Gen. Grenville M. Dodge received his education 65 years ago, receives an immediate bequest of \$50,000 in the general's will, which was filed here yesterday. Besides that institution is made a residuary legatee for at least a quarter of a million after a trust fund for the family is dissolved in future years. The income from the immediate bequest is to be used for paying salaries of professors of civil, military, electrical and mining engineering.

General Dodge was graduated from Norwich in engineering in the class of 1850, and always took a great interest in the school after he had achieved fame in the Civil war and by building the Union Pacific railroad, making many donations to schools. His estate is valued at over a million dollars, and the bulk of it is left in trust for his wife and three daughters in New York and Council Bluffs. The trusteeship is to continue 21 years after the youngest grandchild dies. Then the trust fund principal will be paid to the heirs and certain philanthropies, Norwich getting a quarter of the entire estate.

SMOKED CIGARETTE
AND DENIED CHARGE

Woman Arrested at Rutland Is Accused of Stealing Handbag Belonging to Mrs. Walter R. Davenport of Springfield.

Rutland, Jan. 11.—A woman giving the name of Mrs. Mary Schwartz, residence, Albany, N. Y., is under arrest here on the charge of having stolen a handbag from Mrs. Walter R. Davenport of Springfield at the railway station, the theft having been committed in the waiting room. Mrs. Schwartz was taken at the Breckenridge house on Grove street where she had hired a room. Nobody saw her steal the bag but a variety of circumstances which came to the knowledge of the police led to the suspicion that the woman was the guilty party. She has the appearance of being a dope fiend. While she was denying the theft to the officers she was smoking cigarettes and seemed to be partially under the influence of a drug. Several of the articles in the missing bag were found in her possession.

STUDENTS QUIT FORD PARTY.

Are to Sail for Holland on the Noordam—Others to Leave Jan. 15.

The Hague, via London, Jan. 11.—Fifty students, members of the Ford peace expedition, departed yesterday for Rotterdam and will on the Noordam for New York. About 100 American members of the expedition remain here. Most of them will sail Jan. 15.

The members of the permanent peace board will remain here with the members of the board from the other neutral nations. The crowd that filled the large auditorium located in the Zoological garden last night attended the Ford expedition's first public meeting in Holland. Speeches were made by civilians of various nations. These called the attention of the audience to the necessity to end the present war and prevent future wars because they are burdensome to neutral nations which are compelled to mobilize and remain in a state of constant fear. This subject was provoked largely by the scenes of bustling military activity witnessed in The Hague since the peace advocates arrived here.

The speakers included Judge Ben Lindsey of Denver, Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones of Chicago, and Hoakin Luken, district attorney of Christiania, Nme. Italy Van Emden, a prominent Holland club woman, described the great suffering which had been inflicted on the smaller neutral nations as a result of the present war. She said this was an urgent reason why the peace expedition originating in the United States should be supported.

The platform from which the addresses were delivered was decorated with American flags and every allusion to the desire of the Americans for an early peace was greeted with loud cheering. While the peace advocates were preparing for their demonstration the streets of the city resounded with the tramping of troops, this being a daily incident of the result of Holland's mobilization.

The headquarters of the expedition is located in a hotel in close proximity to the barracks from which the fall of the soldiers' feet on the pavement and the grinding of artillery wheels on the gravel road are heard morning and night.

Scenes of much military activity are to be witnessed in other parts of the capital where the parks and streets are utilized for the drilling of recruits. The military activity in Holland was made the subject of constant comment by the peace advocates.

REGIMENT ORDERED HOME.

Grand Jury Probe Opens at Youngstown—Quiet is Restored.

Youngstown, O., Jan. 11.—The opening of the grand jury investigation of the strike and riot in East Youngstown, the resumption of work at the plant of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company, and the ordering home of the 4th regiment of the Ohio National Guard, called here on strike duty, were the developments in the situation yesterday.

Thomas H. Flynn, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor, issued a statement last night in which he charged that the rioting here last week was a financial scheme to depress the value of stock of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company, so that a merger of independent steel interests could be effected.

MOHR JURY
VISITS SCENE

Taken to Place Where Dr. C. Franklin Mohr Was Fatally Shot

PRIOR TO STATEMENT
BY BOTH SIDES

Jury for Trial of Sensational Case Was Secured Yesterday

Providence, R. I., Jan. 11.—Before visiting the scene of the murder of Dr. C. Franklin Mohr, the jury which is to hear the evidence in the trial of his widow, Elizabeth F. Mohr, and two negroes, Cecil W. Brown and Henry S. Spellman, charged with responsibility for the crime, went to the courthouse to-day to hear a preliminary statement of the case by the prosecution. The complete opening statements were reserved until the return of the jury.

The prosecution alleges that Dr. Mohr was killed Aug. 31 while motoring to Newport in company with Emily G. Burger and that his wife hired three negroes to commit the crime. One of the negroes has since pleaded guilty to manslaughter and is expected to be a witness for the state.

The automobile in which Dr. Mohr rode on the night of the shooting was standing at the spot where it is alleged to have been stalled on the night of the murder and the other surroundings were made to conform as nearly as possible to that occasion. Later the jury went to the homes of Dr. Mohr and Mrs. Mohr in Providence. The defendants did not accompany the jury, voluntarily waiving their rights.

The jury, which was selected at the opening session yesterday, is as follows: Charles Clark, a painter, foreman. Alfred Duhamel, grocery clerk. Harry L. Shaw Cross, mill hand. William F. Stockwell, farmer. Robert D. Hays, decorator. William H. Green, farmer. J. Austin Snape, storekeeper. William H. Mitchell, inspector. Ora C. Hill, farmer. John Curtis, lumberman. Ethan H. Mowrey, farmer. Charles F. Dragan, mill hand.

HARDWICK CONCERN IN TROUBLE.

Vermont and Chicago Granite Co.'s Creditors Bring Petition.

Rutland, Jan. 11.—Several acts of bankruptcy, alleged to have been committed by the Vermont and Chicago Granite company with offices in Hardwick, are cited in a petition filed yesterday with Clerk F. S. Platt of the U. S. court in which a number of Vermont concerns seek to have the granite company forced into bankruptcy. The petition is brought by the Trow & Holden company of Barre, the Deming Hardware company of Montpelier and Louis S. Robie of Hardwick. The Trow & Holden company has claims of \$20,000, Deming has claims of \$80,000 and Mr. Robie is a debtor to the amount of \$881.

The petitioners claim that on November 2, 1915, the granite concern gave a mortgage of \$47,518.83 to the Hardwick Savings bank to secure a former debt, knowing the concern was insolvent and that on November 30, the granite company paid the Woodbury Granite company an old account of \$4,000 thus making them preferred creditors.

The most serious charge is against Edward McLane, president of the Vermont-Chicago concern in which the petitioners allege that he collected about \$30,000 in outstanding accounts and that he has not only failed to turn this money over to the treasurer of the company, but he also refuses to give a proper accounting of the money so collected. It is claimed he is concealing the \$3,000. Another claim is that several suits have been started against the Vermont-Chicago concern in the Illinois courts and that the officers are going to have judgments confessed, thus making them preferred creditors.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Lester Morgan of Williamstown was a visitor in the city to-day.

Mrs. John G. McLeod of Averill street left to-day for Boston, where she will be the guest of friends for a few days.

The ladies and pastor's union of the Hedding M. E. church will hold its annual business meeting and election of officers at the church Thursday at 2:30 p. m. It is hoped every member will try to be present.

Miss Maude White, who is a senior in the Notre Dame business academy in St. Johns, P. Q., returned to her studies last night, after passing a vacation of three weeks at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. White of Thirld street.

Hugh McNulty of Ottawa, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Orla Liberty of Rawden, P. Q., Mrs. Joseph Byers and Mrs. Thomas McNulty of Montreal, P. Q., arrived in the city this morning to attend the funeral of P. J. McNulty, whose remains arrived in the city early to-day from Redlands, Cal.

Statistics in process of compilation by the chief of police for printing in the annual city report indicate that the number of arrests for 1915 was considerably larger than in the previous year. Since Aug. 1, when the new law affecting municipal courts became effective, the number of cases tried before Magistrate H. W. Scott in city court has also increased.

Barre poultry men are to be represented at the annual show of the Vermont Poultry association, which is to be held in St. Albans next week. Several local breeders of Rhode Island Reds contemplate registering pens at the show and there are to be Barre Barred Rocks on the floor if the plans of a prominent Barre Rock fancier do not go astray.

286 BIRTHS,
168 DEATHS,
76 MARRIAGES

Barre's Record for 1915 Was Not as Good as in 1914 in Any Respect—There Was an Increase of 14 Deaths, Loss of 12 Births and 32 Less Marriages.

Vital statistics for 1915, compiled by the city clerk, were at hand to-day, the salient features of which were figures relative to births, marriages and deaths. In the 12-month ending Dec. 31 there were 286 births as against 298 births in 1914. There were 168 deaths in 1915, an increase of 14 over the preceding year. Marriages were more infrequent in 1915 than in 1914. There were 76 marriages in 1915 as against 108 marriages in the preceding 12 months. July was most prolific in point of marriages, 14 knots being tied in that month. September had 10 and June, the month when marriages are said by some to be most appropriate, had only 8. Dr. Drab November had 7 marriages and in the wind-swept month of March there were 6. Other months had wedding days as follows: January, 4; February, 5; April, 3; May, 4; August, 5; October, 5; December, 5.

Twelve nations were represented in the birthplaces of brides and grooms. Brides of 1915 had their native lands as follows: America, 44; Italy, 13; Scotland, 7; Canada, 5; Spain, 3; Sweden, 1; Finland, 1; Denmark, 1; Ireland, 1. Grooms of the same year were born in the following countries: America, 39; Italy, 10; Scotland, 11; Canada, 3; Spain, 4; Sweden, 3; Switzerland, 3; Finland, 1; Australia, 1; England, 1.

There were 144 males among the 286 babies born in Barre in 1915. One pair of twins are alone in the year's record. American mothers numbered 114 and the nationalities of the others number 10, as follows: Italian, 7; Scotch, 25; Canadian, 25; Spanish, 21; Swedish, 3; Irish, 5; Syrian, 7; French, 1; England, 1; Swiss, 4; Austrian, 3; Algerian, 1; Finnish, 2; South African, 1; Greek, 1; Mexican, 1; San Marino, 1. There were 89 American fathers and 95 who were as follows: Italian, 80; Scotch, 32; Canadian, 23; Spanish, 20; Swedish, 3; Irish, 8; Syrian, 6; French, 1; English, 5; Swiss, 4; Austrian, 4; Finnish, 2; South African, 1; Greek, 2; Portuguese, 1; South American, 1. Four fathers were of unknown nationality.

Figures to be submitted by the health officer for printing in the annual city report are to supplement the clerk's record of deaths for 1915.

URGED DAIRYMEN
TO CAREFUL METHODS

President Turnbull of the Vermont State Dairymen's Association Delivered Address on Opening Day of Convention in Burlington.

Burlington, Jan. 11.—The Vermont State Dairymen's association opened to-day what promised to be a successful convention. There was a fine attendance for a first day. The address by the president, J. G. Turnbull of Orleans, favored more intensive farming, thrift, close attention to details, better sanitary conditions of milk. The use of the hand separator was important in this connection, he said. President Turnbull also opposed a law which might do away with a tax on oleomargarine.

MARRIED IN FAR AWAY ITALY.

Mr. and Mrs. Natale Venetti of Barre Celebrate Wedding Anniversary.

At their home, 36 Pearl street, yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Natale Venetti celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a dinner party, to which nearly 100 people were invited. With them assisting in receiving the guests were their four children, Mrs. Frank Fraquelli, Miss Angie Venetti and Arthur and Alfonso Venetti. A happy member of the family party, too, was young Raymond Fraquelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Fraquelli. Hospitality was the keynote of the silver anniversary and many of those who partook of the substantial dinner were friends of the couple in Italy more than a quarter-century ago.

Many who were unable to be present in the dinner hour called at one time and another during the afternoon and evening to tender their congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Venetti were the recipients of many gifts, gifts that included several choice pieces of silver. Mr. and Mrs. Venetti were married in Varese, Italy, their childhood home, in 1891. The latter's maiden name was Anna Chiaravalli and soon after the wedding the couple decided to change their residence. In 1895 they came to Barre, where Mr. Venetti was employed for a time as a granite cutter. Later his ambition to engage in the manufacturing business was realized and a few years afterward a business which had small beginnings grew into the Venetti Granite Co., which operates a plant on West Second street.

FOUR DIED FROM COLLISION.

When Freight Train Struck Street Car at Springfield, O.

Springfield, O., Jan. 11.—Four persons were killed and 20 injured, many of them seriously, when a freight train on the Big Four railroad struck a street car here last night. Most of the victims of the accident were factory employees returning from work.

The dead are: Albert K. Brunk, motorman of the car; John E. Reed, James Phoenix, John Mason.

ALL RE-ELECTED

At Annual Meeting of Montpelier National Bank.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Montpelier National bank this morning the following directors were re-elected: Albert Tuttle, James W. Brook, Arthur D. Farwell, Fred Blanchard and Herlan W. Kemp. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. Tuttle was elected president, Mr. Brook vice-president, Levi H. Bixby cashier and H. L. Farwell assistant cashier.

HIGHER RATES
UNJUSTIFIED

Were Proposed by Rail and Lake Routes from New England West

THEY AMOUNTED TO
ABOUT 5 PER CENT.

Interstate Commerce Commission—To-day

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Proposed increases in class and commodity rates by the rail and lake routes between New England and middle Atlantic states points and the West are found to be unjustified in an opinion rendered to-day by the interstate commerce commission. The increases which were proposed amounted to about 5 per cent.

FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED.

That of Ex-Alderman P. J. McNulty Was Held To-day.

Many friends of Patrick J. McNulty, a Barre granite manufacturer and former member of the city council, gathered at his funeral services in St. Monica's church this forenoon, the remains having arrived in the city early this morning. Rev. P. M. McKenna, the parish priest, was the officiating clergyman and the bearers represented the three fraternal organizations with which the deceased was affiliated. They were: Barre council, No. 401, Knights of Columbus, Patrick Brown and John W. Dineen; Division, No. 1, A. O. H. Michael Keefe and D. J. Dunleavy; St. John's court, Catholic Order of Foresters, Arthur J. Loranger and E. N. Normandeau. There were present several city officials and former officials who were associated with Mr. McNulty during the days that he served the city as an alderman and a justice of the peace. The floral pieces were numerous. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery on Beckley street.

Mr. McNulty's death occurred Jan. 1 in Redlands, Cal., where he went more than a year ago in search of health. The remains were accompanied to Barre by Mrs. McNulty, her three children, Madeline, Patricia and Genevieve McNulty, and the deceased's brother, J. Edward McNulty, who had been summoned to Redlands and was on his way when news of Mr. McNulty's demise reached him.

Among those from out of the city who attended the services to-day were: Hugh McNulty of Ottawa, Ont., a brother, Mrs. Thomas McNulty of Montreal, Mrs. Orla Liberty of Rawden, P. Q., and Mrs. Joseph Byers of Montreal, sisters of the deceased. Mrs. Liberty was accompanied by her husband.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Ellen Shorey of Plainfield was a business visitor in the city to-day.

A daughter was born this morning at the City hospital to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Beckley.

Rev. A. A. Mandig, who visited friends in the city while attending the meeting of the Ministers' Monday club, returned last evening to Moretown, where he is pastor of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Edson Blanchard of Somerville, Mass., and Mrs. Frank Snow and daughter, Ivis, who accompanied the remains of Mrs. Diana Thurston to West Topsham for burial Sunday, returned to their respective homes this morning, after passing a few days with relatives here.

Under the auspices of the Barre Board of Trade Professor Alfred A. Smith of the Tuck school of administration and finance is to speak at a smoker to be given in the rooms of the Victoria club Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Invitations have been extended to the club members to be present. A buffet luncheon will follow the speaking.

Friends of Luigi Lungo, husband of the woman who was shot by Arthur Caffi, the murderer-suicide at 16 Third street Friday night, are awaiting instructions by letter from Lungo before arranging to ship the family furniture to Raymond, Cal., where Lungo has been employed for the past five weeks. Preparations were completed this forenoon for the funeral of Mrs. Lungo, which was held this afternoon in St. Monica's church, with interment in the Catholic cemetery on Beckley street. The funeral of Caffi was due to take place at the Perry & Noonan mortuary chapel on Depot square immediately after the obsequies for Mrs. Lungo. The remains of Caffi will be interred in Hope cemetery.

Carpenters employed on the new granite manufacturing plant of McMillan & Sons, corner of Blackwell and Smith streets, recently witnessed an unusual spectacle and had it not been for the kindness shown by Contractor A. R. Lane, it is not improbable that serious results would have followed an unusual case of child neglect. Two children were discerned aboard a heavily laden lumber team under the Blackwell street underpass. Horses were hard put to it to drag the weight over the road, and two men, evidently entrusted with the care of the lumber, had apparently resigned all moral responsibility for the children. They were plainly the worse for liquor, and as it developed one of the children, a raw youngster of 12, had also partaken rather copiously of liquid refreshment. The contractor took the children into the office of the tool works on Blackwell street and after they had recovered from a thorough chilling, they were permitted to ride home to Middlesex in Mr. Lane's touring car. The drivers of the lumber outfit were